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APPENDIX N 100 INTRODUCTION, 200 VISA PETITIONS, 300 INS-ISSUED DOCUMENTS, 400 BENEFITS UNDER INA 212(h) AND (i), 500 CONSULAR ROLE IN ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS CASES AND 600 INA 212(d)(5)(A) PAROLE AUTHORITY

MAJOR CHANGES

1. Appendix N, 600 INA 212(d)(5)(A) Parole Authority has been changed to refer directly to 9 FAM 42.1 Procedural Notes. Also, minor revisions, updates and editorial changes have been made throughout.

2. Revisions since the last update appear in italics. Other than formal titles, the italics will be removed the next time the material is updated. Only current changes will appear in italics. Italics provide a historical record of changes.

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